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1. On 12 January four Soviet gunboats arrived at Whampoa. They were assigned by the Navy Department in Peiping to the Kwangtung Naval Defense Headquarters. Each gunboat is a 700-ton vessel capable of a speed of 30 knots and manned by 20 Soviet and 100 Chinese Communist naval personnel.
2. On 9 January 200 boxes of aviation supplies arrived at Canton on the Canton-Hankow Railroad. They were immediately sent to White Cloud Airfield.
3. On 13 January LIU Jao-ming (劉達銘), commander of the Chinese Communist Air Force 7 Squadron, and 26 Chinese Communist pilots arrived at Canton from Shanghai. On 20 January all were at White Cloud Airfield.
4. On 20 January there were approximately 800 Chinese Communist and Soviet air force personnel at White Cloud Airfield. The Soviets were billeted in newly constructed barracks.
5. The Chinese Communists are constructing a new airfield at Wangchiangtung (望江樓), north of P'anyu (113-26, 23-01).
6. Chinese Communist troops guarding the Canton-Kowloon Railroad have dug fox holes near Ch'angp'ing (114-01, 22-58) and Changmut'ou (114-06, 22-53).
7. On 17 January two regiments of the 3 Field Army and one other regiment were at Whampoa. The 158 Division was garrisoning Canton. The 67 Division and the 21 Army were stationed at Huiyang (114-26, 23-05). The 201 Regiment, 67 Division, was at Tanshui (114-28, 22-47). The 41 Army shipped most of its equipment from Kwangtung and may leave that province soon.

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8. On 17 January 7,000 troops of the 27 Army were at Paoan. Approximately 2,000 troops were at Nant'ou (113-56, 22-31) and another 2,000 were at Shench'uan (114-08, 22-32). More troops are expected at the latter two places, where schools, temples, and empty houses have been requisitioned by the army.

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